

IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
FOR THE NORTHERN DISTRICT OF MISSISSIPPI

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA)	
)	
v.)	Criminal No. 4:16CR117
)	18 U.S.C. §§ 242 and 2
ROMANDER NELSON)	
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INFORMATION

THE UNITED STATES ATTORNEY CHARGES:

GENERAL ALLEGATIONS

At all times relevant to this information:

1. ROMANDER NELSON, defendant, with Lawardrick Marsher, Deonte Pate and Robert Sturdivant were employed by the Mississippi Department of Corrections and working at the Mississippi State Penitentiary in Parchman, Mississippi. Robert Sturdivant and ROMANDER NELSON held the position of sergeant. Lawardrick Marsher and Deonte Pate held the position of corrections officer.

2. K.H. was a convicted prisoner housed at the Mississippi State Penitentiary in Parchman, Mississippi.

3. The allegations set forth in paragraphs 1 and 2 are re-alleged and incorporated in Count One.

COUNT ONE

18 U.S.C. § 242

Deprivation of Rights Under Color of Law

On or about March 9, 2014, in Northern District of Mississippi, ROMANDER NELSON, defendant, while acting under color of law, did willfully permit and fail to prevent other prison

correction officers in her presence, namely LAWARDRICK MARSHER, DEONTE PATE, and ROBERT STURDIVANT, from punching, beating and otherwise unlawfully assaulting K.H. while K.H. was in the custody of ROMANDER NELSON, Lawardrick Marshers, Deonte Pate, and Robert Sturdivant, and thereby willfully deprived K.H. of the right secured and protected by the Constitution and laws of the United States not to be subjected to cruel and unusual punishment, which includes the right to be kept free from harm while in official custody.

All in violation of Title 18, United States Code, Sections 242 and 2.

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